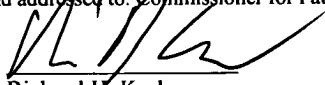




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In response to the final Office Action mailed on 7/29/2005 having a shortened statutory response period that extends through 10/29/2005, kindly amend the claims as hereinafter indicated and reconsider their patentability in view of the following remarks.

The amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper. The remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.